

RURAL HIGH-SPEED INTERNET ACCESS TASKFORCE MEETING

Room 470
Governor Office Building,
200 Madison Street
Jefferson City, Missouri

November 27, 2007

ATTENDANCE LIST

Taskforce Members

Lt. Governor Peter Kinder
Hank Bradley
Katie Bradley
Chuck Bryant
Richard Cavender
Don Doucette
Dan Engemann (For Katie Smith)
Estil Fretwell
Doug Galloway
Mike Hearst (For Dan Ross)
Raymond Henagan
Dr. Craig Klimczak
David Klindt
Arthur Martinez
Peggy McGaugh
Bill Mitchell
Rob Monsees
Bill Placke
Bill Rhode
John Sondag (For Cindy Brinkley)
Craig Steensland
Julie Thompson
Tracy Weddle
Michael Zarrilli

Guests

Brent Legg
Robert Boone
Daryl Duwe
Trip England
Jennifer George
Greg Harrison
Ewell Lawson
Jacob Luecke
Bill Severn
Joni Smith-Criewell
Trent Summers
Ric Telthorst
Sarah Topp
Pete Wieberg

Staff Members

Jerry Dowell
Bob Donnelly
Stacey Hirst
Elizabeth Hobbs

I. Welcome, Introductions and Overview of the Day's Proceedings **Taskforce Chairman, Lt. Governor Peter D. Kinder**

Lt. Governor Kinder called the meeting to order at approximately 9:04 a.m. He welcomed everyone and asked them to introduce themselves. Following introductions, Lt. Governor Kinder reviewed the information in the meeting binders: Taskforce Contact Listing, Executive Order 07-31 and Travel Regulations and Procedures.

II. Overview of the Connected Nation model on Broadband Expansion

Brent Legg, Director of State & Local Initiatives, Connected Nation

Lt. Governor Kinder introduced Brent Legg with Connected Nation. Mr. Legg gave a PowerPoint presentation about the ConnectKentucky program and Connected Nation. He gave an overview of services Connected Nation could provide to the Rural High-Speed Internet Taskforce to help it accomplish its goals. After the presentation Brent Legg answered questions from the taskforce members. (Copies of the Presentation will be posted on the Taskforce Website)

III. Discussion of Taskforce goals and member input

A tentative meeting schedule was passed out to the taskforce members. Lt. Governor Kinder encouraged the members to attend as many of the meetings as possible.

Lt. Governor Kinder asked for input from the taskforce members on how to proceed. After much discussion, the following motion was made by Arthur Martinez: “I suggest that we entertain RFP’s to encompass the five areas* listed on the slide before us at a minimum, leaving some flexibility for adjustments, but mainly to fall in those five categories* and that they be broken out in the RFP individually so that a vendor could bid on any one piece or all fives pieces.” John Sondag seconded the motion. Lt. Governor Kinder asked for a show of hands to approve the motion. The taskforce members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

*The five areas or categories are:

- Street Level Broadband Infrastructure Mapping
- Market Intelligence through Survey Research
- Private Sector Consulting Services
- Demand Creation & Planning at the Grassroots Level
- Providing Computers to Underprivileged Households

There followed discussion on the possibility of obtaining federal grants and strategies for and the possibility of meeting Governor Blunts February 1, 2008 deadline.

A sub-committee consisting of the following people was appointed to help draft the RFP:
Arthur Martinez, Bob Donnelly, Chuck Bryant and Bill Placke

Jerry Dowell informed everyone that all information regarding the taskforce would be posted on the Lt. Governor’s website.

IV. Adjournment and Lunch

Lt. Governor Kinder adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:47 a.m.